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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Takuo HIBI, et al.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Action dated March 27, 2000, Applicants elect the claims of Group III (claims 76-87, drawn to a supported ruthenium oxide catalyst). This election is made without prejudice to the filing of divisional applications on the non-elected subject matter. Prompt examination of the elected subject matter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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